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SENT THEM AWAY WITH A SMILE.

EVEN if a 9-year-old patriot did preface his address before the buck Mulligan club with the words: "Ladies and gentlemen," it was only evidence that in the sincerity and enthusiasm of the moment he made a slip of the tongue, comparable to that of Fairbanks, when he spoke from the rear platform of a train at Reno to the "Ladies and gentlemen of Arizona." That ought to put "Bud" Brown into the vice-presidential class at least.

But the point is this: It WAS a patriotic address. It was delivered before an assemblage that to an outsider might have seemed frivolous, with merry badinage passing around, with seeming jesting over the most horrifying calamity that ever befell the world. But there were many missing from the gathering who are now "over there," or in training in cantonment, while some of the Mulligans already had their grips packed to leave for the colors the following morning, another detachment arranging business affairs to go to the front later in the week, and still others who are planning to volunteer for their country and for humanity.

Beneath the merry jest and the gaiety of repartee, there was a solemn undercurrent, flowing deep like still waters. There was a heartache behind the laughter and jolly voices camouflaged the pent-up tears.

It was at this moment that the little patriot addressed the "ladies and gentlemen," and he knew whereof he spoke, for let it be known that of all the people in this land the youth are most loyal and patriotic and, thanks to training in home and school, they know of what they speak.

ROLL THE BALL! ROLL THE BALL!

YOU are supposed to live in a cow county or a manufacturing village, "over there," which in this instance means that your home is east of the Rockies, somewhere far and away from dips, spurs and angles, some place where the din of falling stamps does not lull you to slumber, but you fall asleep to a frog chorus or a mosquito symphony.

Yet you have nailed to the bottom of your trunk or in your safe deposit box a sheaf of beautifully engraved certificates of mining shares. You purchased these when you learned that the ground which they represent contained a body of precious ore. There is no questioning the fact of the ore, for it has been measured and sampled. A mill has been erected on the property and dividends are inevitable.

But in your sleep you dream. It is pictured to you that somebody located a claim sideling the property in which you invested your hard-earned dollars. This claim boasted superficial workings, just as little as the law allowed, while in your property the miners had gone into the bowels of the earth and hundreds of thousands of dollars had been expended to bring the mine into the profitably producing class. It was a sure winner; that is, until the owner of the sideling claim discovered that the upward trend of the vein carried its apex into his holding. He then sunk a shaft just over the edge from your property and proceeded to enter your ground. Your company sued him for trespass, got out an injunction, etc., but the court found that under the law he had a perfect right to do what he was doing. So your machinery rusted and your stopes caved and you had to go out and look for a job.

There was nothing illegal about this. The Stewart law gave the owner of the sideling claim that privilege and he simply asserted his lawful prerogative. Now, isn't it plain to you that you ought to get behind the ball and roll it on to Washington? The Stewart act must and will be repealed! PLEDGE ALL CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES!

OIL SHALE IS PLACER.

MANY PEOPLE in Nye county and elsewhere in Nevada; in fact, all through the West, are searching for oil shale, a formation in which there is probably more petroleum than in the sands that have hitherto been the source of supply. The method of locating such claims is in doubt. The Bonanza has sold both placer and lode claims to prospectors, giving the form desired by the prospector and being unable to advise as to the proper method of procedure.

A recent issue of the American Congress Mining Journal, however, throws some light on the subject. It finds from the following statute, that of 1897, that the placer law generally applies:

"Any person authorized to enter lands under the mining laws of the United States may enter and obtain patent to lands containing petroleum or other mineral oils, and chiefly valuable therefor, under the provisions of the laws relating to placer mineral claims."

The practice of locating oil lands as placers existed without question until 1896, when the secretary of the interior decided against it. Congress, therefore, in 1897, adopted the statute confirming the previous practice. Apparently there seems to be no doubt of the right of the locator of oil shale lands to claim patent under the placer law, but there are certain considerations which may alter the case.

Decisions of the courts in the matter of locating asphaltum are the nearest approach to any adjudication of the subject, although they are not complete. These hinge upon the accepted definitions of lodes and the reasonings of the courts concerning the geological structure of asphaltum deposits. In a classic case, entitled Webb vs. the American Asphaltum Company, it was the judgment of the circuit court of appeals, Eighth district, that asphaltum, varying in its consistency from a liquid to a semi-liquid condition, may be located as petroleum, but that when it assumes the solid form and is found in a vein or lode it cannot

be located under the petroleum placer statute. If congress had intended to include veins of asphaltum in place, the court held, it would have so stated in the act of 1897. Judge Sanborn wrote the decision.

The chief element of doubt in the case of oil-bearing shale is whether the location is based upon the oil it contains or upon the shale. If the location contemplates the mining of the shale for its oil content, one may well reason that its solid form furnishes an analogy with the condition of solid asphalt in the shape of a vein or lode. Residual bodies of wax or asphalt deposited in fissures traversing a body of shale should, according to the asphalt case already cited, be held to take precedence over all placer right. On the other hand, if the oil is regarded as a liquid content of the shale, and its recovery is known to be in liquid form, it falls within the purview of the 1897 statute.

OUR RESPECTS TO THE COLONEL.

TEDDY has only one eye and his recent operation leaves him without the use of his left ear, but he could lose an arm and a leg and his variform appendix and a lung and a half and still be able to wave his hat and yell: "Buck the line hard! Bully!" In some respects he is like a Ford car. He may be depended on to ramble right along, no matter what happens.

NOTES ON SPORTING EVENTS

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 5.—According to Joseph Waddell, secretary of the California Fair and Racing circuit, the season of 1918 bids fair to be the most successful in the history of racing and trotting in the state. Mr. Waddell states that 1917 furnished the best sport for horsemen up to that time. He bases his optimism for the coming season on the fact that at the present time there is more interest and enthusiasm being shown and arrangements have progressed to a point far in advance to what it was at this time last year. It already is assured that there will be more purses offered than last year.

One of the features of last year which pleased horsemen was the special train to transport horses from one meet to another. From 75 to 100 horses were transported in this manner without a hitch and in the best possible condition, everything possible being done for the care and comfort of the animals. Of the cities included in last season's circuit Petaluma, Dixon, Bakersfield and Santa Maria are omitted. These have been replaced by Eureka, Stockton, Oakland and Ventura. It is not unlikely that there may be one or more changes before the program finally is made up.

According to Mr. Waddell, more horses now are in training than ever before, and the majority of them are further advanced than they have been at any time in the past. A number of mid-season figures are said to have been clocked in the try-outs.

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 CAMP LEWIS, Tacoma, Wash., March 5.—Every man in the division has been required by Captain Cook, camp athletic director, to fill out a blank giving his personal record in twenty-one different sports. It is believed that by this method the athletic talent of every soldier will be brought out.

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 MANHATTAN UNION AMALGAMATED MINES SYNDICATE. Location of principal place of business and location of works: Manhattan, Nye County, Nevada.

Notice: There are delinquent upon the following described stock, on account of Assessment No. 1, levied on the 31st day of December, 1917, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders, as follows:

Name	No. Cert.	Shares	Amt.
Sundry Stockholders of Union Amalgamated Mining Company	7	219,512	\$4,390.24
And in accordance with law, and an order of the Board of Directors made on the 31st day of December, 1917, so many shares of each parcel of such stock as may be necessary, will be sold at public auction, at the office of the Registration Surety Company, room 265 Russ Building, San Francisco, California, on Saturday, the 2nd day of March, 1918, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p. m. of said day, to pay delinquent assessments thereon, together with costs of advertising and expenses of the sale.			
CHARLES D. OLNEY, Secretary.			

Office 265 Russ Building, San Francisco, California.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 27th of February, 1918, the date of delinquent sale was postponed from March 2nd to 2 o'clock p. m. March 16th, 1918.

By order of the Board of Directors.
 CHARLES D. OLNEY, Secretary.

WHAT'S WHAT

(By L. L. Muehett.)

Vol. 1. Tonopah, March 5. No. 17. Few people realize that one of the prospective big mines of the country is being quietly developed within fifteen minutes' auto ride from Tonopah. It would be well for our home crowd to investigate the wonderful mineral showings of the new Divide district, and you who make it a practice to reap the benefits of the mining game should give the district your attention. Some of the most prominent geologists in America have reported the district one with splendid probabilities, which will eventually bring liberal capital for development work.

There are already a number of close-up properties which seem to be a cinch. The Divide Ex., which is to be extensively developed, starts work with a fat treasury and is backed by men who are capable of raising funds sufficient to meet all future requirements. That "baby" looks like one opportunity that should not be passed up. There will be others coming up in the near future and it is to be hoped that our local people will reap their full share of the benefits of the new district.

Yesterday's issue of What's What was hardly off the press before new orders commenced to come in. It seems like my appeal for more business met with a ready response, so I will repeat the invitation to keep on coming with the orders.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ASSOCIATION HELD

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 5.—The American game bird in its relation to the food and meat shortage brought about by the war is under discussion here today at the fourth national conference of the American Game Protective association.

Game birds such as quail, grouse and woodcock were declared by speakers to be dangerously near the point of extinction in this country. The convention will decide what recommendation, if any, it should make to the government regarding the preservation of these birds in view of the national meat shortage.

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FOOD PRODUCTION LESS THAN NORMAL

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 5.—G. F. Warren, professor for farm management at Cornell university, testifying before the senate agriculture committee investigating general food conditions, declared food production in the United States this year, from present indications, would be less than three-fourths of normal.

Senator Wadsworth questioned a statement by Hank Reid of Chicago, editor of a sheep raisers' paper, that retail meat dealers who purchase direct from producers were lousy by packers. Reid declared that with the present prices of meat to the producers, many engaged in meat production would send their present supplies to market and then quit business. An over-abundance of meat will be on the market in the next few weeks, Reid said, but indications are that soon there will be a shortage.

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